

## PART 1: COMPREHENSION

# Directions

Read this story about two friends. Then answer Numbers 1 through 8.

## An Afternoon with Lin

Lin and Susan are friends. They go to the same school, and they like to play together.

One day Lin asked Susan, "Would you like to come to my house after school tomorrow? My mother will give us tea."

"I've never had tea," answered Susan. "What is it?"

"Tea is a drink made with hot water and dried leaves," replied Lin.

So Susan asked her mother if she could go to Lin's house after school. Her mother said yes.

"Lin's mother will give us tea," said Susan.

"That will be fun for you," said Susan's mother. "I'll call Lin's mother and ask about this."

Susan's mother called Lin's mother on the telephone.

Lin's mother told Susan's mother, "In China, the country where we used to live, drinking tea was very important. Now we are making new friends and doing new things, but we still like to drink tea and remember our time in China."

The next day, Susan went to Lin's house. Lin showed Susan the small cups that her family brought from China and used for drinking tea. They were very beautiful.

The two girls drank their tea and ate small, sweet cakes.

"Do you like the tea, Susan?" asked Lin.

"I think it's very good," answered Susan. "Thank you for asking me to drink it with you."

"You are a nice girl," said Lin's mother. "I am glad you're Lin's friend."

"And I am glad Lin is my friend!" said Susan.

**1 Where was Lin's mother during the story?**

- ☐ at her own home
- ☐ in China
- ☐ at Lin' s school

**2 What happened first?**

- ☐ Susan's mother called Lin's mother on the telephone.
- ☐ Lin asked Susan to come to her house for tea.
- ☐ Lin's mother asked Susan if she liked tea.

**3 Why did Lin ask Susan to come to her house?**

- ☐ Susan asked for some tea.
- ☐ Susan's mother called Lin's mother.
- ☐ Lin and Susan are friends.

**4 What happened after Lin showed the small cups to Susan?**

- ☐ Susan and Lin drank some tea.
- ☐ Lin and her parents came from China.
- ☐ Susan asked to go to Lin's house.

**5 The story "An Afternoon with Lin" is**

- ☐ a fantasy that could never really happen.
- ☐ a make-believe story that could not happen.
- ☐ a realistic story that could actually happen